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SUBJECT: HUNGARIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE METALLURGICAL TRADE MISSION

1. ON APRIL 13 COMATT MET WITH OFFICIALS FROM HUNGARIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (HCC) TO DISCUSS PROPOSED TRADE MISSION OF MAGYAR METAL MAGNATES TO USA. ACCORDING HCC OFFICIALS GROUP PLANS DEPART BUDAPEST FOR UWSYSWE MAY 29 AND RETURN HUNGARY JUNE 13. HCC HAS ALREADY CONTACTED HUNGARIAN COMMERCIAL COUNSELLOR LAKOS IN NEW YORK AS WELL AS U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN WASHINGTON REQUESTING ASSISTANCE. HCC WILL ALSO TELEX BEWT'S DAS DOWNEY AS IT HIGHLY VALUED EXPERTISE PROVIDED BY COMMERCE DURING CHEMICAL TRADE MISSION LAST FALL.

2. LIST OF MISSION MEMBERS FOLLOWS:

MISSION LEADER: DR. MIHALY STEFAN, TECHNICAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL, CSEPEL IRON AND METALWORKS

MEMBERS: ANTAL BUZA, DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL, DUNA IRON WORKS
ISTVAN ELIAS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, HUNGARIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ISTVAN KUTI, MANAGER, NIKEX FOREIGN TRADING COMPANY
IMRE PATARICA, DIRECTOR, METALIMPEX
ANDRAS PETHES, DIRECTOR GENERAL, OZD METALLURGICAL WORKS
LASZLO TORKOLY, SECTION MANAGER, CSEPEL IRON AND METALWORKS

3. LAKOS IN NEW YORK HAS FULL DETAILS OF MISSION'S INTERESTS WHICH ARE HEAVILY CONCENTRATED IN STEEL AREA INCLUDING QUEST FOR NEW METAL MACHINERY, SEAMLESS TUBE
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MANUFACTURING, AND INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION.

4. SHOULD COMMERCE EXPERT IN THE METALLURGICAL FIELD
BE AVAILABLE AS ESCORT DURING COURSE OF UPCOMING VISIT HCC AND
EMBASSY WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATIVE OF THIS PROFESSIONAL
ASSISTANCE.

5. IF MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY POSES MAJOR HURDLE TO TIMING
OF MISSION HCC WOULD BE WILLING TO DELAY DEPARTURE ONE
WEEK.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE RE PARAS 4 AND 5.
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